

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Eliot LEAR

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For: METHOD FOR VERIFYING
CONFIGURATION CHANGES FOR
NETWORK DEVICES USING DIGITAL
SIGNATURES

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2008, the shortened statutory period for which runs until June 27, 2008, please reconsider the present application in light of the amendments and remarks herein.

- **Amendments to the Claims** begin at page 2.
- **Remarks** begin at page 14.